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Dear Josh:

You should receive this on your return from Sweden. Please allow me to add my congratulations and best wishes to you on the great honor you have just received. The Prize could not have been better awarded.

I remain very happy and excited about being invited to join your department at Stanford. Also, I gladly would accept appointment as an instructor under the general conditions outlined in your letters of November 19 and 28 and our telephone conversation of December 1. The conversation amplified two points which were not in the letters. A statement of them here will serve to show that we both have the same understanding of what was said.

Firstly, I understand that you are not yet in a position to formally commit Stanford to my appointment, but that you feel "100% committed" to me and that formalization of an appointment can take place in February. Secondly, with respect to salary, again you cannot know for sure, but you hope and expect a stipend of \$8500 will go with the appointment.

My commitment at the NIH has been dissolved, happily. Activation of an appointment at Stanford could therefore be on October 1, 1959.

Of the dates you suggested for a trip to Stanford, February 9-12 would be preferred. Shall I arrange reservations, etc.?

Included with this letter was to have been a rough outline of the equipment, space and personnel requirements you requested. It turns out to be what seems to me a formidable list. I have tried to be conservative, but at the same time tried to aim at a laboratory which would allow me to function efficiently. This tissue culture business

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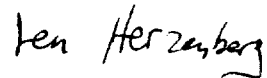
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is very expensive, especially when approached from a biochemical point-of-view. Since I am anxious to get off this letter without further delay, I am withholding the list to work on it a little more. It will be sent by the middle of next week.

I am looking forward to seeing you in February.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Len Herzenberg". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Leonard A. Herzenberg